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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Yuichi ARITA, et al.

Application No.: 09/268,999

Group Art Unit: 2123

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Examiner: K. Thangavelu

For: SIMULATION APPARATUS, SIMULATION METHOD AND COMPUTER-READABLE
RECORDING MEDIUM HAVING SIMULATION PROGRAM RECORDED THEREON AS
WELL AS DESIGNING SUPPORTING APPARATUS

**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER
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Applicant hereby appeals to the Board from the decision of the Primary Examiner mailed November 12, 2003 finally rejecting claims 1-9, 12-25 and 27-29. The items checked below are appropriate:

1. EXTENSION OF TIME PETITION AND FEE

X Attached is a petition for a one-month extension of
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